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WHIST DEPARTMENT.

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The discard: There are more articles written on how to discard, and bringing to light new methods of discarding, than any of the many other conventions. The discard that has held its own for years and years, and the one we believe to be the best and most sensible is, when trumps have not been declared against you, let your best discard be from your weakest suit. Your partner can generally sell without waiting for a second discard which is your strongest suit, but two discards will make sure. A great many times you will hold two suits of about equal value. If you do not care which suit your partner leads you, continue discarding from your weakest suit. Now when trumps have been declared against you, by a lead of trumps from your opponents, or by a signal from them for trumps, let your first discard be from your best protected suit. This is strictly a common sense way of discarding. When trumps are against you, you can better afford to give up a card from a suit already established and keep your short suits protected, for your short suits are usually your opponents' strong suits. This rule is like most rules—break them all if you think it necessary to do so to bring in your suit. There is another discard that has been used a great deal and is very simple; it is simply, partner, don't lead me what I discard. One of the greatest objections to this method of discarding is that if your opponents are leading trumps and your partner gets the lead about the third round and would like to force them to trumps, and had no good suit of his own, he would be compelled to guess at your suit, when if you had discarded from your strongest suit he would know at once what to lead you. There isn't so much in merely knowing how to play by rule as there is in when to break them.

In the last month a play came up that I never saw before—that was to give up the king on the ace led by my opponents—and the suit was one that had never been opened. So you see there isn't any authority for a play of that kind.

But to return to the discard: There is a new discard gotten up, called the "force-me" and the "don't-force-me" discard. I will try and make it plain to the reader. If I discard a card smaller than the four spot it signifies force me to trump; if I discard five, six or seven, you are to use your own discretion; if I discard a card higher than the seven, you are not to force me. Before going into details about this discard we will experiment some and give the reader the result as soon as possible.

[Dedicated to Judge Sneed.]

Be patient, gentle whistler, Sit not uneasily in your seat, For it's cool reasoning and perseverance That makes victory of defeat.

One of the players in the Mixed Pairs coolly turned up several of the turned tricks, to refresh her memory. One of the adversaries remonstrated, telling her that she had incurred a penalty. She was magnificently indignant—

"I have a right to see the last three tricks, anyhow, and your objection is most uncalled-for. I know the rules, and strictly adhere to them, always!"

For the time being he was crushed. Presently she led the nine of spades. It was high, but when she saw her partner, who held the only remaining trump, hesitate and look perplexed she tried a little "private convention" of her own, by a gentle kick. Much to her discomfiture the kick caught the wrong man, and she turned scarlet with mortified embarrassment, while the protesting adversary ruefully rubbed his aching shin and made murmured comments upon the pleasure of playing with people who knew the rules, "and strictly adhered to them, always!"—Whist.

Mince Pie.

The festive season being so near at hand, it may not be inappropriate to call attention to an article which is seldom absent from the Christmas dinner, the mince pie. The mince pie was known before the day of Praise God Barebones and his straitlaced brethren in 1653. The name Christmas pie, by which it was also known, was obnoxious to Puritanical ears and offensive to Puritan taste. Selden tells us that mince pies were baked in a coffin-shaped crust, intended to represent the manger in which the Holy Child was laid, but more typical, we should say, of the sacrifice of the lives of His creatures.

Club Notes.

The clubs which meet on Monday should send in their reports by Tuesday evening, and those which meet on Tuesday should send in theirs not later than Wednesday morning, to insure their insertion.—EDS.

OSOLI CIRCLE.

Ossoli met Monday at 2:30 p. m. to adjourn out of respect to the memory of Miss Ella Coffin.

The paper for the afternoon will be heard later in the course.

There will be no further meeting of the Circle until January 1st—Twentieth Century Day—which meeting is to be in the nature of an open reception.

Each active and associate member may bring, is urged to bring, two guests on this day. Nor are these guests to be women only, but our husbands, brothers, sweethearts, friends—heroes all—are eligible and welcome if only bearing credentials of honest bona fide election.

The Calendar Bazar is over, the "net proceeds" reaching perhaps \$1,000, ready to be turned over to the Boards. After all is it not a deal of sugar we give for a cent? Would it not be easy to find four thousand people who will give a quarter of a dollar another year to have no bazar? Hear the woful wail of a popular bachelor.

The women, bless their soul, Have toiled And moiled, And fretted And sweated, By law unbaffled, Have boldly raffled; Our consciences stifled, Our pockets rifled, Exhausted ingenuity, To sell their superfluity, Conscripted childish innocence To plead with us to "take a chance."

Enlisted maidens, fair and pure, The woful bachelor to lure; With scripture cakes debauched the pious, With every known device they try us.

There's naught in earth or heaven or hades Can rob as deftly as "our ladies."

Then with an "ecce ego rapture, Serene they contemplate the capture And smile to see us weaklings—poor cry

Mer mid our pain "our glorious women."

They'll end by being patients all,

And more than fill the Hospital! C. O. MOSENSE.

Eggnog.

The yellows of 6 eggs, 1 pint of granulated sugar, 1 pint of Jamaica rum, 1½ pint of the best whisky, 1 gallon of cream, beat together the yellows of the eggs and the sugar until very light, then put in the whisky and rum; use no white of egg at all; whip with a cream churn the cream, and when all is whipped that will whip, pour what is left in with the rum and whisky, sugar and eggs. Put this in a two gallon vessel (or one holding more than a gallon) and gradually beat in the whipped cream, reserving enough to cover the top of the bowl or bowls into which the eggnog is put. Delicious.

Don't Cough.

A well-known physician says that "there is nothing more irritating to a cough than to cough." For some time I had been so fully assured of this that I recently determined, if possible, for one minute, at least, to lessen the number of coughs heard in a certain ward in the hospital of the institution. By the promise of rewards and punishments I succeeded in inducing them simply to hold their breath when tempted to cough, and in a little while I was myself surprised to see how some of the children entirely recovered from their disease. Constant coughing is precisely like scratching a wound on the outside of the body; so long as it is done the wound will not heal. Let a person when tempted to cough draw a long breath and hold it until it warms and soothes every air cell, and some benefit will soon be received from the process.

Sick-Room Don'ts.

Sick people don't like to be stared at. They are morbidly sensitive. To look surprised at the change sickness has wrought is annoying, and worse than that, it is disheartening, and makes invalids imagine their case to be worse than it is. Therefore, don't stare at a sick person, and don't stand at the back of the bed to make him turn his eyes round to see you. Always sit by the bedside, for the patient feels more at rest than if you stand up tall before him. And don't whisper: don't talk in a low

voice; don't follow the doctor or caller out into the next room. The invalid will be absolutely certain that you are discussing him. Don't wear garments that rustle or are made of rough clothing, to come into contact with hands made tender by sickness, and don't wear creaking boots or thick soled boots.

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